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## THE GOLDEN AGE

In their getting disturbed over the Congressman Linthieum of Marythem, people often fail to notice that "The Star Spangled Banner" the nain some respects the material world tional anthem. And the music beabout them has changed since they gins a medley of comment pro and were children

con on the proposal ly the various steps in which our paper a dollar with enough back of son of their own depreciated cur- of \$1,000,000,000, fully one-third of education system has been changed it to support the legislation-why rency. within the last quarter of a cen- not make the well-known song, words. The precious metal is coming from tries tury both in what is being taught and music, an anthem? Most Amer- all quarters of the globe, but the and in the manner of teaching, it is leady will accord to congress the European countries, more particular- here is working at high pressure if disconcerning in find that much has moral logal and musical right and ly Great Britain and France, as well an effort to reduce and been changed which in his day he stand up and applaud when congress as the Scandinavian nations, are foreign buillion and coin Reports considered the essence of school has officially made Francis Scott paying heaviest toll. training. After a casual survey of Key's immortal words the national. Much of the gold received from being shipped to the Philadelphila modern school methods and subjects life and the patriotic song for the England represents shipments from mint lack official confirmation. of study, he is inclined to dismiss country the matter by saying, "No. schools. There will be notes of objection. It will be said that the words, howmin't what they used to be."

This tendency to paint the past as ever shot through with the colorful the golden era, to pictura it as per-spirit of a sacred, supreme sentifeetion made perfect, is active of ment of patriotic ferver, lack the course in all delds. Whether the serious exaltation of great and solcritic has in mind the church, or own devotion as, for example, marks politics, or the schools, he can and the words of "My Country, 'Tis of does with equal facility in all three Thea." Reply will be made that nelds paint the past in researe col there are objections to "America," ors, and generally has little to say on the grounds of its striking simithat is commendatory of the present | larlly to the hymns of some other He forgets that when he was a child nations. There will be the "unsingahis elders in their own day on look. billty" of "The Star Spangled Baning around them dismally said: "No, her," brought forward as an objecthings ain't what they used to be" tion to the adoption of Key's inspir-And their elders no doubt said it ing song as the national air; but it will be rebutted that Americans

ings of any institution like the "will" continue to sing it as long as church of the school, and to imply they are citizens, aspiring and nervy, that these institutions had no short of the "land of the free and the comings at all in an earlier genera- home of the brave." tion is to show ignerance which may be excusable but is none the less ignorance. Even when we taught the three R's in the golden era of perfection, it is doubtful whether education was at that time one whit more efficient than it is today

It is not condoning any defects of modern education to say this. The point is that things aren't what they used to be; but that they have changed for the worse would be hard to prove. The individual who laments the passing of the three R's as a matter of fact, they haven't gone out-has falled to consider that he is doing and using many things today which were not thought of in the years to which he looks back

A glance about him when he awitches on the electric light in his apartment; or when he uses the telephone; or when by means of an automatic elevator he lets himself down to street level from the eighth through traffic the very' sight of which would have terrified his paronts 30 or 40 years ago these things "nh! to convince him that other himms besides the three It's aren't what they used to be: A little the ght for the changed life which we lead as compared to the way in which an older generation lived mucht make us all a little more sympurhects toward institutions which are not unding it easy to keep up with time rapid changes.

# FREIGHT RATES

Last full, when the interstate cmo names commission visided to the pleaof the railroads for an increase of 20 per cent in froight rates, railroad executives held to the belief that their revenues would be increased to a considerable extent. The opposite has been the effect.

That the increase in freight rates has had something to do with exist ing industrial and business conditions is almost generally admitted. The railroads find themselves in the sit nation of the man who killed the goose that laid the golden eggs. They have the higher freight rates but they do not have the business from which to collect them. Ship ping costs have reached a point that makes them a real factor in the transaction of business.

The rate on lemons from Califor nia is almost equal to the price for which foreign-grown lemons are selling in New York city. It will easily be seen that lemons are not being shipped from California to the east and the railroads are getting no revenues from such shipments. The interstate commerce commission is considering a lowering of freight rates, with the object of giving some aid to industry and business by lowering the operating costs, and at the same time add to the incomes of the railroads by increasing the shipping business. Just what will be done remains to be seen, but that something will have to be done is evi-

flood of gold is sweeping upon the war chest. shores of the United States. Alyet the tide is rising

changing ideas in the world about and has introduced a bill to make that the United States is the world's any other form of payment to this one "creditor nation" and for the country. equally important reason that the

first two words of the lines. No

Let congress go ahead and legis-

late "The Star Spangled Banner" as

with "Oh, say!"

It will be cited that Americans are the national anthona. Most of to free to sing anything they please have been rising to our feel whe about the "red, white and blue" and the band struck it up, anyhow just that they have the temerity to tackle any old song no matter how difficult of America! If anybody else city got syllables to match the notes. Per- his musical feet and falling down and ficult one-fust to prove to the world may help a lot to keep our object that Americans can do anything tionable foreigners, who sind And then there is the final, conclus- language a puzzle even in the matter ive, unanswerable argument in fa- of everyday conversation, to cumpe vor of "The Star Spangled Banner" them to learn and sing The Star -tis absolutely, incontrovertibly dem- Spangled Banner

onstrated Americanism in the very other people on the face of the earth To pick out the present shortcom- "have" song it, "are" singing it, and the daring to begin a national song the Turks might get some valuable stay I have yours? information from men in this coun- All churches and charitable orga

South Africa to London while ti French and other constaments hard back to the days of the war and in ome instances to much longer per-

For example, Swedon is sending gold received from Germany for war supplies; also har gold or bulion which many believe to be of Russian origin. By way of the Pacific have come occasional shipments of gold from Siberia where they NEW TRILBY DIVIDE NEW YORK, May 10 -- A veritable formed part of General Kolchak's

South America and Central Ame ready the precious metal in the ica also are making involuntary concountry has attained the unprece-tributions to this country's vast holddented amount of \$3,001,487,915 and ings of the yellow metal mainly because unsettled economic conditions Financiers attribute this to the fact in Latin America virtually preclude

The local assay office a new other nations of the world find it structure whose modern equipmen well nigh impossible to transact includes huge vaults five floors below if congress can make a piece of business with this country, by rea- the street level, now holds upward

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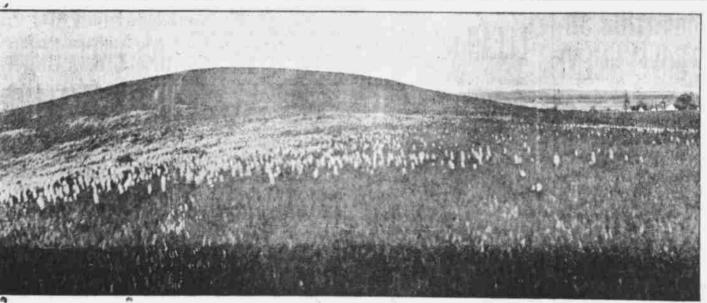
THE OIL INDUSTRY, this company owns a perpetual lease upon 720 acres, right in the heart of the new oil district in Colusa County California and is now prepared to take subscriptions for treasury stock. The directors of this company a short time ago, authorized the sale of 100,000 shares of the Treasury stock at 25c per share, but since that time the company has practically made arrangements with the California Corporation Commission to sell its stock in that state, and when those arrangements have been completed the company will open an office either in San Francisco or Los Angeles and the price of the stock will be raised to 50c per share.

## STATEMENT OF MR. T. J. MEDDOCK

THE CALIFORNIA PETROLEUM AND REFINING COMPANY

Gentlemen: I take pleasure in sending you a brief statement upon your oil holdings of Colusa Co.

California. First of all, you are centrally located in what is almost certain to be in the near future one of the great oil producing and many more will be working soon. districts of California. Next in



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After studying the outlines of this wonderful structure in the picture herewith presented and considering its signifigance in the oil world you should not fail to grasp the opportunity now available, visit our office now open, and see samples of oil produced in that district. The highest grade lubricating oil yet discovered, and brings the highest price paid for a crude product, also specimens of the formation, an oil shale with all sorts property. of fossels and shells cemented together. Although the district is quite new there are many drills now at work

line is that most wonderful structure commonly called a "dome" or sign post for geo logists. Undoubtedly this dome was forced up by great pressure, for it seemingly has no connection whatever with a glacier slide, considering the distance it lies from the nearest mountains, which is a low range, and practically only foothills.

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